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Dear Sir:

In Response to the Office Action of February 28, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

## In The Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 21 as shown below:

- 1. (Once Amended) A magnetic transducer device comprising:
  - a bottom magnetic pole;
  - a nonmagnetic gap layer deposited over said bottom magnetic pole;
- a top magnetic pole deposited over the nonmagnetic gap layer, the top magnetic pole having an upper portion and a lower portion wherein the lower portion of the top magnetic pole faces a surface of the bottom magnetic pole and wherein the lower portion has a middle section that is separated from the bottom pole by the nonmagnetic gap layer by a first distance and the lower portion has end portions located at each end of the middle portion that are separated from the bottom pole by the nonmagnetic gap layer by a second distance wherein the second distance is greater than 25% and less than 100% of the first distance.